

Dallas OES supports Ronald McDonald House

Dallas Chapter #396, Order of the Eastern Star (OES) collected more than 21,000 aluminum tabs to benefit the Ronald McDonald House, Danville. The Chapter donated 10,000 tabs last year. The Ronald McDonald House converts the aluminum tabs into cash to help support operations.

Representatives of Dallas chapter #396, OES, from left: Elsie Jolley, special project chairperson, Dallas; Dianne Corby, junior past matron, Beaumont; Dennis Bonning, worthy patron, chase; Linda Dimino, worthy matron, Nicholson; and Wahneta Berti, chapter representative for cancer activities, Dallas.

Fall foliage walk on BMT Trail

The Healthy Hikers Club will hold a morning hike on Thurs., Oct. 25 from 10 a.m.to 1 p.m. on The Back Mountain Rails to Trails. It will be a two-mile hike featuring the colors of autumn, Hiking groups will meet at the entrance in Luzerne. There will be a picnic lunch served following the hike at the Charles Street Park, Luzerne. For more info or to register contact Linda Rondinella at 287-1102 or Katie Conologue at 822-1158.

Dallas Gridiron pasta dinner

Dallas Gridiron Club annual Pasta Dinner will be held Thurs., Oct. 18, at Dallas High School cafeteria from 4 to 7 p.m. The cost per person is \$6. Take-outs will be available.

First Federal financial center opens

First Federal Bank has moved its operations to a new full-service branch at 196 N. Main Street, Shavertown. The building also accommodates affiliated companies, Northeast Pennsylvania Trust Co., Higgins Insurance/Higgins Financial Services and Abstractors, Inc. The latest NEP Financial Center is open six days a week and features drivein banking, night deposit service, safe deposit boxes and coming soon a 24-hour drive in ATM. This marks the 16th office location to complement a loan production office serving Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania and on the Internet at www.1stfederalbank.com. The new NEP Financial Center brings banking, trust and insurance services together under one roof. "This concept affords families, individuals and businesses the opportunity to conduct banking transactions, buy insurance and handle trust needs in this very office," said E. Lee Beard, President and CEO of First Federal.

The Grand Opening on October 13 kicked off a four-week promotion centered on an effort to promote youth soccer in the



Inside the new First Federal office, from left: Linda Ash, Patty Klug, E. Lee Beard (President and DCEO), Frank Rinkevich (Branch Manager), Maggie Simko.

Back Mountain area. First Federal Bank joined with its affiliated companies to offer the Dare to Be Different Soccer Challenge to area soccer teams or clubs.

Customers can also win cash or soccer related prizes by playing First Federal Bank's Instant Repay game until October 20 at the back Mountain office. Spe-

youth in the area include appearances and soccer clinics by local professional and Olympic soccer player Brian Kelly and a "Free Kick For Savings" challenge.

The new NEP Financial Center hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fri-

cial activities for the soccer day 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 am. to 1 p.m.

Northeast Pennsylvania financial Corp. is the holding company of Abstractors, Inc., a wholly owned title insurance agency, Northeast Pennsylvania Trust Co., Higgins Insurance, Higgins Financial Services and First Federal Bank.



Planning the upcoming SCORE workshop, from left: Ray Andes, Dallas; John Reddy, Shavertown; and C. Wesley Boyle, Harveys Lake.

Workshop for business hopefuls

The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) Chapter are hosting a workshop for people thinking of going into business or people already in business

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The workshop will cover legal aspects, taxes, records, insurance, marketing, organizational structure and financing available.

The workshop fee is \$25. For more info. contact SCORE at 826-6502.



Angie Anderson

Anderson attends **Broadway Dance Ctr.**

Angie Anderson, daughter of Brett and Debbie Anderson, Shavertown, attended a summer dance intensive hosted by the prestigious Broadway Dance Center in Manhattan.

The week long workshop was conducted by famed professional dancer Kat Wildish and included master classes in ballet and pointe work. Angie received exemplary remarks from the staff's assessments of her abilities.

Angie studies ballet, tap and jazz at the Joan Harris Centre's two schools in Dallas and Kingston and is currently a student assistant at the centre's Back Mountain Campus. Most recently she has appeared in productions of the classic ballet, "Puss in Boots", and the review "New York, New York at the F.M. Kirby Center. Angle is a student at Lake-Lehman High School



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